Amendment No. 4 to HB0669

Hackworth Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 597

House Bill No. 669*

by deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-140(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(a) The record of conviction of an offense under § 55-12-139(c), or a dismissal on grounds that evidence of financial responsibility did not exist at the time of the citation but was obtained prior to disposition by the court, shall be promptly transmitted to the department of safety. For any such conviction or dismissal occurring after July 1, 2003, upon request by the commissioner of safety, the commissioner of revenue shall not issue a renewal of registration for any vehicle for which evidence of financial responsibility is required under § 55-12-139 until the person who was convicted of violating § 55-12-139(c), or whose citation was dismissed on the grounds that evidence of financial responsibility did not exist at the time of the citation but was obtained prior to disposition by the court, furnishes proof of financial responsibility as defined in § 55-12-139(b).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-139, is amended by designating the existing language of subsection (e) as subdivision (1) and by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(2) On or before the court date, the person so charged may submit evidence of financial responsibility obtained subsequent to the time of the violation. If the court is satisfied financial responsibility is in effect the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility may be dismissed. Court costs and litigation taxes shall not be subject to dismissal pursuant to this subdivision (2).

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.